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House Bill 296

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Code Section 40-6-188 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 highway work zones and reduction in speed and signage therefor, so as to change certain
- 3 provisions pertaining to speeding in a highway work zone, to provide for related matters; to
- 4 provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
- 5 purposes.

## 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 SECTION 1.

- 8 Code Section 40-6-188 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to highway work
- 9 zones and reduction in speed and signage therefor, is amended by revising paragraph (1) of
- 10 subsection (e) as follows:
- 11 "(e)(1) In order for a person to be cited or convicted for exceeding a speed limit, reduced
- or otherwise, in any highway work zone as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection,
- there must be present in the highway work zone at the time of the offense the signage
- required by this Code section and either:
- 15 (A) Work work zone personnel actively engaged in highway work zone activity as set
- forth in paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of this Code section; or
- 17 (B) Barriers, on-site work vehicles, or shoulder or pavement drop offs that constitute
- a hazard to the traveling public."
- 19 SECTION 2.
- 20 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2009, and shall apply to all offenses committed
- 21 on or after such date.
- SECTION 3.
- 23 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.